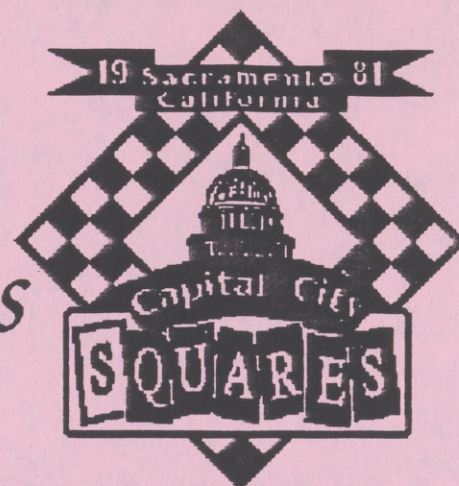




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Special Pre-Convention Issue!



... And speaks ... and speaks ... and speaks ...

Have we been havin' Fun?! March whipped on by with lotsa Fun and Frolic, didn't it? Starting with our Beginning Class Transition Extravaganza, thus getting you safely into Mainstream (yes, I know you already were — now it's "official"), we've been goin' all month — one big fun-fest!

Western Star Dancers' Anniversary Dance in S.F. on the 17th was A LOT OF FUN for everyone there. Tons of people showed up, including oodles from our own club [29 unofficially, ED]. Thanks, WSD, for sponsoring this grand event! All of us from Sack-a-tomato really enjoyed ourselves. (And I was very happy to see so many of us Valley Kids there — it was great!)

Our own Wednesday Fun Dance Night on the 20th filled out an exciting month. With Harlan Kerr calling and putting the club through its paces — even teaching yet a few more calls — it was well worth it. Having four squares (and a few extras) made this a very successful mid-week event! With any luck, we'll be able to do a few more of these Harlan mentioned several times how well the club is dancing — KEEP IT UP!

Northstar Promenade, Vancouver

The countdown to Convention continues! We have received another update concerning the whats, wheres,

and how-tos on crossing the border — if you've not received your copy, there will be some at class night. The Hotel Vancouver is filled — rooms now being filled at the Hyatt across the street (Harlan feels this one will be the biggest (the convention, Bill, the convention! [Tacky note from C.E.O. to the ED]); be prepared to have A LOT OF FUN! Conventions are simply not to be missed, so DON'T.

"A Return to the Russian River"

We are still accepting bookings for Guerneville (our anniversary retreat). There are yet several spaces left, so feel free to invite non-dancers and folks from other clubs to join us! The is still \$55.00 per person for the weekend (2 persons to a room). In addition, though we are encouraging everyone to stay at Fife's, we have received several inquiries concerning costs to dance the weekend but stay elsewhere; the Board has decided to "entertain" this idea. Because the price for Fife's includes room, facilities, caller, and so forth, a flat rate of \$25.00 per person for everything except "sleeping" there is not unreasonable. The BYO munchies get-to-know-you-better-(socially — it'll be in public!) picnic is still on (prob'ly Saturday early afternoon) — the rest of the schedule you'll get soon. This weekend is gonna be lotsa fun for all — 2 hoedowns, classes all day, and all the rest — it's gonna be great!

The Board

We are still accepting nominations for the Board. We've gotten several; we are encouraging as many as possible to consider this. Yes, there is work involved; yes, sometimes a lot of work is involved; yes, it's worth the effort. To be frank, a lot of the groundwork has been laid (watch it, Bill [yet another tacky note to the ED]) over the past year and a half — from here, it'll be a breeze (if you believe that ...).

Seriously, the Board needs your input. JOIN US!

I really am encouraged by the enthusiasm, dedication, efforts, and excitement of the club. I enjoy being with you, dancing with you, struggling thru with you. I do look forward to each Tuesday night — I'm glad we're "in this together." Thanks for bein' here.

Well, that's all from this APRIL FOOL. This month is gonna be FANTASTIC, believe me.

See ya dancin'

— George

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Tips and Hints for Vancouver.

The following is taken (stolen) from the North Star Promenade Update # 5 — March 1990

Clothing

Like most places in spring, the weather is changeable. Bring long-sleeve shirts, a sweater, and a water-repellant jacket. It could be balmy or cold and damp, so best be prepared for anything. Don't forget your ski paraphernalia if you're planning on the Whistler trip! [or your leather if you are planning on dancing the Leather Tip — ED]

Money

If you want to flash those greenbacks in Canada, you will be zapped with poor exchange rates at retail stores and restaurants. But if you want to economize, you will use Canadian money right from the start. Consider changing your money at home if possible, or use your plastic in a bank machine as soon as you arrive. Keep in mind that this will, after all, be Easter weekend; the banks will be very busy Thursday and closed Friday. Some may open part of Saturday, but Never On Sunday. Using round figures, your dollar should stretch about 20%. Of course, convention souvenirs are the best bargains. Look for the North Star Promenade merchandise table. Please note: everything at convention must be paid for in Canadian currency.

Crossing the Border

The best approach is to be cool, be clean, be honest, be sure of yourself. There is no need to act arrogant or get upset; answer simply what they ask. If you are HIV positive and look ill, check the page that accompanied Update 4. A passport or proof of U.S. residence status may be required.

Any 2 of the following are good proof: birth certificate, voter registration card, social security card, drivers licence, or other picture ID. You may be asked to show "sufficient funds" for a short stay. Vaccinations are not required. You may bring in up to 200 cigarettes, 40 oz. of liquor or wine or 288 oz. of beer or ale. All these type items must be declared. Gifts brought in up to \$40 CDN are duty and tax free.

Getting To and From the Airport

Perimeter Transportation (Airport Express) has given us a special rate of \$5.25 one way from the airport. A voucher is included with this update. Please tuck it in your ticket folder. For your return trip to the airport there will be one in your registration package. The Airport Express leaves every 15 minutes during peak times and goes directly to the Hotel Vancouver. Taxi fare is approx. \$18.00 (regulated). Private limo is \$26.00.

Driving

Directions: Coming north from Seattle, follow the Highway 99 freeway, which will funnel you onto Oak Street. Follow Oak north to Broadway. Turn left from Oak onto Broadway, then, about two miles later, turn right from Broadway onto Burrard Street, which will take you right to the Hotel Vancouver. Look for the COPPER GREEN ROOF! Both hotels are at the corner of Georgia and Burrard, both major arteries, so they should be easy to find. Note: Seat belt usage is mandatory, by law.

Bulletin Board

A bulletin board in the hotel will post important convention information. Look for it and it may save you a lot of time.

Phone Numbers of Helpful People After Your Arrival in Vancouver

Carol 873-9303, Keith 683-6008, Brian (w) 682-3765 (h) 325-9719.

Upcoming Events

Swing Thru Portland	April 6-8
Bill and Michael Arrive in Vancouver	April 9
Move On To Seattle	April 9-11
North Star Promenade in Vancouver, B.C.	April 12-15
Bill and Michael's Return from Vancouver	April 16
CCS Board Elections	April 17
CCS Russian River Retreat, The Woods	April 27-29
Pass the Ocean, Hon! Chesapeake Squares Fly-In	May 18-20
Scoot Back to Toronto Fly-In	June 8-10
CCS Graduation Workshops and Hoedown	June 9

Resources In Vancouver and Victoria

The following was culled (stolen, again) from an article in the March 1990 edition of Times Squared, the newsletter of New York City's Times Squares, hosts of last year's wonderful convention. It was compiled with a disclaimer as to its up-to-dateness by Times Squared Editor Michael Gravois and Bob Young. [Thanks, Michael and Bob. I hope to thank you in person (and get your after-the-fact approval to reprint this guide) at the convention. —ED (Bill McCrory)]

VANCOUVER

Gay and Lesbian Community Centre
604-684-6869
(7-10 p.m. M-F; 4-10 p.m. Sat/Sun)
1170 Bute Street

LODGING SPOTS

(Please stay at the Convention hotel during the Convention — These are listed only in case you'll be staying after the Convention)

Bakerview Bed and Breakfast
604-942-4129

Don's Home Away From Home
another small B & B
6870 MacPherson
604-435-0695

Dufferin Hotel
900 Seymour Street
604-683-4141

Heritage House Hotel
455 Abbott Street
604-685-7777

Stay 'n' Touch Guesthouse (Women Only)
604-681-2246

West End Guesthouse
1362 Haro Street
604-681-2889

Gables Guest House
1101 Thurlow Street
604-684-4141

Max's Guest House
1037 W. 15th Avenue
604-731-8731

BARS

The Castle Pub
750 Granville Street
M/F

Gandydancer
1222 Hamilton Street
DISCO
M/F

Graceland
1250 Richards Street
DISCO
M/F

Shaggy Horse
818 Richards Street
Leather/Levis

Ms T's
339 W. Pender Street
Women

Celebrities
1022 Davie Street
DISCO
M/F

Kok-Pit/Numbers
1042 Davie Street
Saloon/Dance Bar

Odyssey
1251 Howe Street
DISCO

Denman Station
860 Denman Street

Streets and Back Streets
Both located at the
Dufferin Hotel
900 Seymour Street
604-683-4141

Lotus Club (Women)
Chuck's/Uncle Charlie's
Both located at
Heritage House Hotel
455 Abbott Street
604-685-7777

DINING

Doll and Penny's Cafe
1167 Davie Street

Elbow Room Cafe
720 Jervis Street

Hamburger Mary's
1202 Davie Street

La Quena
1111 Commercial Dr.

Montgomery Cafe
433 W. Pender Street

More Elbow Room
Dufferin Hotel

Out To Lunch
356 W. Broadway

Cafe S'il Vous Plait
500 Robson Street

Spats Restaurant
1185 Seymour

Thurlow's
1221 Thurlow
(possibly the gayest restaurant in Vancouver)

TOURIST INFO

Vancouver Travel Information
604-683-2000

For info regarding tourism within B.C.

Tourism
BC Parliament Building
Victoria, BC V8V 1X4

HANDICAPPED PERSONS' INFO

Canadian Paraplegic Association
780 SW Marine Drive
Vancouver, BC V6V 547

BC Coalition of the Disabled
604-875-0188

INFORMATION SERVICES

Information Services Vancouver
604-875-6381

United States Consulate
604-685-8391

Weather Office
604-666-1084

Phone Message Weather
604-666-1087

Mountain Forecast
604-666-1081

Beach Information
604-738-8535

Ferry Information (Vancouver to Victoria)
604-669-1211/604-685-1021

AIDS Information
604-687-AIDS (24 hours)

HEALTH CLUBS/ GYMS

Club Vancouver
339 W. Pender Street
604-681-5719

Garden Spa
1233 Homby Street
604-687-1915

Richards Street Service Club
1169 Richards Street (near Davie)
604-684-6010

RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATIONS

AFFIRM
(Gays in the United Church of Canada)
604-738-7557

AFFIRMATION
(Gay and Lesbian Mormons)
604-874-7751

DIGNITY VANCOUVER
(Gay Catholics)
Tues 7:30 p.m.
604-591-2556

INTEGRITY
(Gay Anglicans)
604-591-2556

MCC VANCOUVER
St. Paul's Anglican Church
1130 Jarvis Street
Sun 7:30 p.m.
604-681-8525

QUAKERS
604-683-4176

AA MEETINGS Gay and Lesbian

Wed 8:30 p.m. — non-smoking
1505 Robson Street
(counseling center)
604-684-8960

Sun Noon;
Mon & Fri 8:30 p.m.
St. Paul's Hospital
1081 Burrard Street

Sat 8:30 p.m.
955 Burrard (near Nelson)
YWCA Caribou Room

Fri 11 p.m.; Mon 8:30 p.m.;
Thurs 7:30 p.m. (HIV+ Group)
Gay Community Center
1170 Bute Street #4, 2nd Floor

Thurs 8:30 p.m.
Canadian Memorial Center
1811 W. 16th Ave. at Burrard
Sun 8 p.m. (Women)
1661 Napier Street
Senior Citizen's Room
604-873-8466

RETAIL SHOPS

Ariel Books
2766 W. 4th Ave. near MacDonald
604-733-3511
women's books

Little Sister's Books and Art
1221 Thurlow St. near Davie
604-669-1753
gay/lesbian books; coffee bar
10 a.m. to 11 p.m. 7 days

Vancouver Women's Books
315 Cambie St. near Hastings
604-684-0523

Mack's Leathers [at last!]
1234 Granville Street
604-688-MACK

VICTORIA

AIDS VANCOUVER ISLAND HELPLINE
604-384-4554
10 a.m. to 5 p.m. & 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.
weekdays; 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sat

GAY HELPLINE
604-370-1144
6 p.m. to 9 p.m. week-nights

BARS

Rumors
1325 Government St. near Johnson
604-385-0566
Dance Bar — M/F

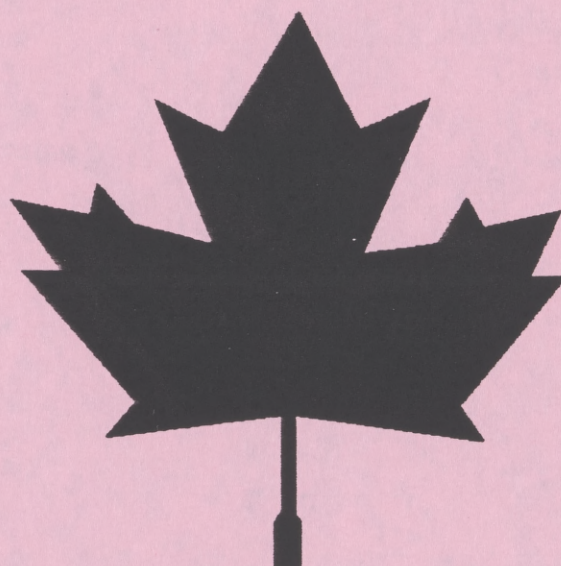
Unwinder Pub
270 Government St. at the James Bay Inn
604-384-7151

RETAIL

Everywomen's Books
641 Johnson St. near Douglas
604-388-9411

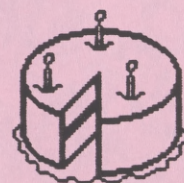
Healthlines Bookstore
1520 Fort Street
604-598-1411

**AA MEETINGS
Gay/Lesbian**
Call 604-383-7744



April Birthdays

Carl Pearson 4/6
Joel Valdez 4/28





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\$25.00 per person deposit due: March 21, 1990

All monies due: April 23, 1990

For Information Call: George (916) 447-2271 or Bill (916) 969-5153

Include in response:

Name(s) _____

Number Attending _____

Address _____

Dancing Level _____

Phone _____

Club Affiliation (if any) _____

Amount Enclosed _____

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